



Merchant Shipping Act 1970

1970 CHAPTER 36

Engagement and discharge of crews

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Textual Amendments
F19 S. 19 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(3)(4), Sch. 4 para. 8, Sch. 5 Pt.II; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), Sch. 2

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F20 S. 20 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), Sch. 12 (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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Textual Amendments
F21 S. 21 repealed by S.I. 1989/102, reg. 1(3)(a)

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Textual Amendments
F22 S. 22 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), Sch. 12 (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

23 Other complaints.
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F23 S. 23 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (c. 12, SIF 111), ss. 48, 57(5), Schs. 5, 7, (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1)

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24 Medical stores.

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Textual Amendments

F24 S. 24 repealed by S.I. 1988/1547, reg. 1(2)(a)

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F25 Ss. 25-28 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), Sch. 12 (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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Offences by seamen, etc.

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Textual Amendments

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F29 Ss. 29, 31 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1974 (c. 43), s. 19(1)(3)

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F32 S. 32 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), Sch. 12 (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

Defence of drug taken for medical purposes

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Textual Amendments

F33 S. 33 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), Sch. 12 (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

Disciplinary offences

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Textual Amendments

F34 Ss. 34–38 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (c. 39), s. 52(2) Sch. 7 Pt. II

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Civil liability for absence without leave, smuggling and fines imposed under immigration laws

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Trade disputes

42 Trade disputes involving seamen.

- F38** (1)
- (2) **F39**
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Textual Amendments

- F38** S. 42(1) repealed (16.10.1992) by Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (c. 52), ss. 300(1), 302, **Sch.1**; and expressed to be repealed (1.10.1995) by S.I. 1995/1980 (N.I.12), art. 150(4), **Sch. 4**; S.R. 1995/354, **art. 2(1)**
- F39** S. 42(2) repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (c. 12, SIF 111), ss. 48, 57(5), Schs. 5, 7, (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1)
- F40** S. 42(3) repealed by Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 (c. 52), **Sch. 5**

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Disqualification of seamen, inquiries and investigations.

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Relief and repatriation of seamen left behind

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F63 Ss. 65, 66 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (c.1 2, SIF 111), ss. 48, 57(5), Schs. 5, 7, (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1)

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F64 Ss. 67-72 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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Textual Amendments

F70 S. 73 repealed (1.6.1994) by Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (c. 12, SIF 111), s. 57(5), **Sch. 7** (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1); S.I. 1994/1201, art. 2, **Sch.**

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F71 Ss. 74-83 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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Stowaways, unauthorised presence on board ship and master's power of arrest

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Textual Amendments
F88 S. 90 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**

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Textual Amendments
F89 S. 91 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

Unregistered ships and ships registered outside the United Kingdom

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Textual Amendments
F90 Ss. 92-94 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2**

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F91 Ss. 92-94 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**

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Textual Amendments

F92 Ss. 92-94 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**

Fishing vessels and non-sea-going ships

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Textual Amendments

F93 Ss. 95-101 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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F94 Ss. 95-101 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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